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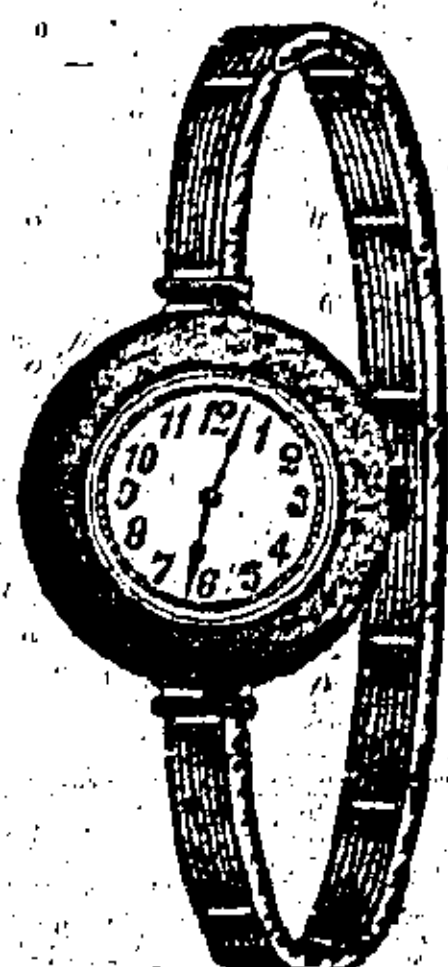
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Sinking Fund Account £28,230

£23,970,387

Revenue Fire Branch £2,381,466

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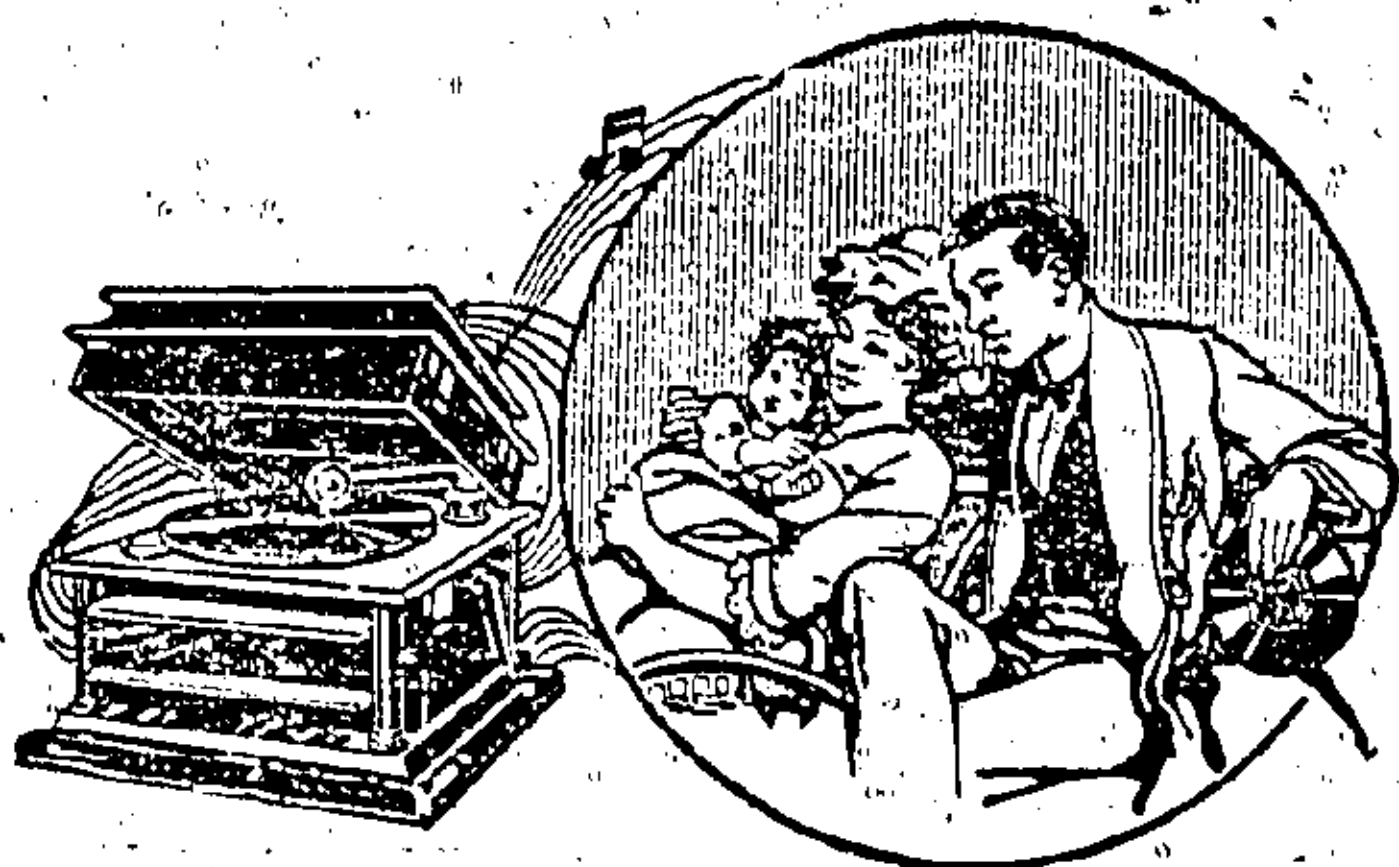
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CHRISTMAS EVE

FRIDAY, 24th December, 1915.

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MONDAY, 27th December, 1915.

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FRIDAY, 31st December, 1915.

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And life for me would be no joke
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Little Green Tin, don't I love thee,
Ha-ha-ha, you and me,
Little Green Tin, don't I love thee.

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When I go down to work each day
I've got to smoke upon my way,
I smoke the best in all the land
Which means Wills' "Three Castles" brand.

Chorus.

I can't afford to smoke cigars,
My slender pay that habit bars,
But I'm as pleased, it's common sense,
With a little Green Tin at 50 cents.

Chorus.

Like Johnson, it has proved its worth:
It is the "Greatest Smoke On Earth",
Obtainable from East to West,
The "Three Castles" Cigarette is the best.

Chorus.

If I'm a tree that grew such leaf,
I'd pluck the foliage by the shaft;
Then lay me down with spirits light
And smoke "Magnums" all day and night.

CHORUS

Ha-ha-ha, you and me,
Little Green Tin, don't I love thee,
Ha-ha-ha, you and me,
Little Green Tin, don't I love thee.

TRADING WITH THE ENEMY REGULATIONS.

A SHANGHAI BRITISH COMPANY
WITH GERMAN AGENTS FINED.

A case of considerable local interest was
heard in H.M.'s Police Court at Shanghai
last Saturday by Mr. G. W. King (Magis-
trate) when the Yangtze Wharf and Godown
Company, Limited, a British Company with
German agents, were fined £20 each on two
summonses for refusing to produce their
books.

Mr. S. H. McKean, of the office of Mr.
H. P. Wilkinson (Crown Advocate) appeared
for the prosecution; the defendants made
no appearance.

The charge was as follows:—"For that
they, on the 9th November 1915, at 16
Kiang Road, Shanghai, then having the
custody of certain books and documents
inspection of which having been authorised
under the Trading with the Enemy
(Amendment) Regulations, 1915, did refuse
and wilfully neglect to produce the same
contrary to the provisions of Regulation
23 of the Trading with the Enemy
(Amendment) Regulations, 1915."

Mr. McKean said the second charge was
in respect of a similar offence at Footing.
Dealing with the first charge, counsel said
that a warrant was granted by the court
for making a search of premises of the
company and upon the papers holding that
warrant requesting inspection of the books
of the company, the company refused to
grant it.

Evidence was then adduced.
Mr. E. H. Barnett said that on the 10th
Inst. he served the two summonses on Mr.
R. Keating, of the Yangtze Wharf Co., at
No. 16 Kiang Road, Shanghai. Mr. Keating
understood the summonses.

Mr. G. P. Byrne, Consular officer in
charge of the Companies' Registrar, said
the defendant company was registered
at H.M.'s Consulate.

Witnesses later produced the registers
showing that Carlowitz and Co. were the
managing agents of the Yangtze Wharf
and Godown Co., the address being given
as No. 16 Kiang Road.

Mr. A. P. Hunt, Vice-Consul, said that
the first time he received a search war-
rant from the court and went to 16 Kin-
g Road—the office of Messrs Carlowitz
& Co., managers of the defendant company.
He saw Mr. Laurens, whom he was informed
was the manager, and he requested inspec-
tion of all documents belonging to the
company in his possession. His reply was
that he refused to hand over or to allow
inspection of any documents.

Mr. McKean—Was any reason given for
the refusal?

Witness—He mentioned that we were on
German premises and stated that they
were equally the premises of a British
company. He gave no other reason, but
explained the difficult position in which
the company was.

In answer to his question, witness said
that Mr. Laurens was presumably a German
subject.
On this evidence Mr. McKean submitted
that an offence had been committed under
the regulations.
His Worship said it seemed to him that
this was a case under the King's Regula-
tions, and he stated that they were
equally the premises of a British
company. He gave no other reason, but
explained the difficult position in which
the company was.

The second case was then taken. Mr.
Byrne stating that he went over to Footing
on Thursday the 9th inst. and effected a
partial search of defendant's premises. He
made enquiries of a gentleman with an
angry German face whether that was the
office of the Yangtze Wharf and Godown
Co., and he was told that it was. He
was informed witness that the company
had ceased to be a British Company.
Another man, named Kreitzsch, told
witness he could not enter the office
because it was a German office.

Witness—He met with some opposition
at the top, but an entrance was effected
and a partial search of the office made.
The office had been stripped, witness
would say, of practically all the books that
were there.

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THE DAY OF THE BOY.

Employers Searching for His Services.

"Boy wanted" is a cry to be heard
everywhere. It is also to be seen printed
in large and appealing type in the windows
of countless shops and offices. But the
boy is rarely to be found. Never in his
long history has he been so much out of
the way when he is wanted as he is today.
City men who find it difficult to get a lad
for office work are puzzled to account for
the disappearance of the superfluous crowd
of boys that used to throng their stairs
before the war, when they had a post
vacant. Formerly only good boys got a
place. Now not even the very bad boy
need be without a job. Forgiveness of all
his sins, and double wages, await his
acceptance in offices where, only last year,
the door was continually slammed in
his face.

Even the Post Office is seriously troubled
by the disappearance of the boy. They
offer him all the benefits of a position in
the Civil Service, permanent employment,
regular hours, good pay and prospects, and
yet they cannot get him in anything like
sufficient numbers to satisfy their require-
ments. Hitherto they have never had
occasion to advertise for messenger boys.

Now they have had to put up notices in the
sub-post offices actually asking for them,
and as they do not come the authorities
have begun to employ girls for the delivery
of telegrams. This innovation has, so far,
been confined to narrow and experimental
limits, and it is proposed to exercise con-
siderable caution in regard to any further
developments.

With all the boy's disposition to loiter
on the way, employers naturally prefer
him to a girl where outdoor work has to be
done, but many of them cannot get him
for love or money. If used to be the case
in 1914, looking for "one place." Now it
is the case of 12 employers after one boy.
At the labour exchanges it is reported that
boys just left school who would be glad
of anything at 2s. a week, before the war, will
now look at nothing that offers less than
15s. a week.

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SCOTTISH SPORT.

(From Our Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, Nov. 17.

With but four points separating the
fourth and ninth clubs of the Scottish
Association League table, the competi-
tion is assuming a little more equality.
True, Rangers, the new leaders, have
the advantage of two games in hand as
compared with the Celtic, now on the
same mark (19), so far as points are
concerned, and are four to the good as
compared with Hearts. But this margin
may be required later on, when Celtic
get over their bad time, and the Hearts
are able to count on their two trophy
players, Neilson and Mercer. Other likely
challengers are Morton and Partick
Thistle. These two Clubs have not yet
met the "Light Blues," and remember-
ing how both have been successful
against the leaders in previous seasons,
there is just the possibility of their again
coming out on the right side, and so
bringing the competition into a more open
condition. At the other end of the table,
Raith Rovers seem to be firmly rooted,
they have not yet gained full points in
any encounter, and they are likely to have
the company of Hibernians in their lowly
position.

By far the most interesting game of
the week was between Hearts and Celtic
in Edinburgh, and resulted, as usual, in
the merited victory of the home team—
so regularly and decisively are the Irish-
men beaten on this ground that it is
looked upon as a matter of fact. The
first half ran in favour of Hearts; the
Celtic then made a rally, but were never
successful in getting past the defence,
and a counter attack by the Hearts at
the finish ended in a second goal.
Rangers, as expected, had an easy thing
with Hamilton Academicals, and thereby
(as noted above) are now at the top of
the table. Queen's Park scored their fifth
win this season, Clyde being the victims;
this is a very creditable feat when the
numbers they have sent to the Army is
kept in mind. Partick Thistle were a bit
off, but were good enough to account for
St. Mirren. Airdrieonians beat Ayr
United not so much because they were
the better team as that they shot more
effectively. Dumbarton were no match
for Morton, and this made some coarse
play on the part of the Greenock men all
the more inexcusable. It was quite an
eventful afternoon at Cathcart, Third
Lanark winning their first home engage-
ment and Hibernians sustaining their first
away defeat. Perhaps the most sur-
prising result was the draw of Falkirk with
Motherwell. Dundee made a poor fight
against Kilmarnock. Aberdeen just man-
aged to get a win against Raith Rovers.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Hearts, 2; Celtic, 0.
Third Lanark, 3; Hibernians, 0.
Aberdeen, 2; Raith Rovers, 1.
Rangers, 3; Hamilton Academicals, 0.
Airdrieonians, 3; Ayr United, 1.
Clyde, 0; Queen's Park, 1.
Greenock Morton, 3; Dumbarton, 1.
Kilmarnock, 2; Dundee, 0.
Motherwell, 1; Falkirk, 1.
St. Mirren, 0; Partick Thistle, 2.

SCHOOL HONOUR.

Loretto, 19; Fettes, 0.
Stewart's, 0; Royal High School, 28.
Glasgow Academy, 3; Glasgow High
School, 0.

SPURIOUS NIGHT CLUBS.

Bill to End Growing Scandal in
England.

The doom of the many spurious night
clubs, which have become very numerous
in London and other English cities, is now
practically sealed. These clubs have been
the cause of a succession of scandals, and
Lord Curzon, moving the second reading
of the Night Clubs Bill in the House of
Lords, on November 4, said that officers
have, in some instances, been drugged and
afterwards blackmailed in these resorts.

"The Night Clubs Bill," he said, "is a
measure which has arisen out of the condi-
tions of the war, and will cease to operate
at the termination of the war. It is
designed to put an end to a great scandal—
namely, the rapid and uncontrolled growth
of what are commonly called night clubs,
which are really haunts of temptation and
dens of iniquity. These institutions are
not clubs in the proper sense of the word,
namely, places of legitimate social inter-
course, but they are snare devices by bad
characters to trap unwary men, where there
are all sorts of scenes of drinking, gambling
and immorality.

I have read reports," Lord Curzon
continued, "submitted by the Police
authorities regarding young officers who
have been tempted into these places,
swindled of their money, drugged, some-
times turned into the streets and after-
wards blackmailed in order to avoid
exposure. These places are found not
merely in London, but also in great
provincial towns and in places on the
south coast where troops have been
stationed in large numbers owing to the
war. The military and police are united
in their protests against a continuance of
this scandal.

The Bill was read a second time and
passed through all its stages.

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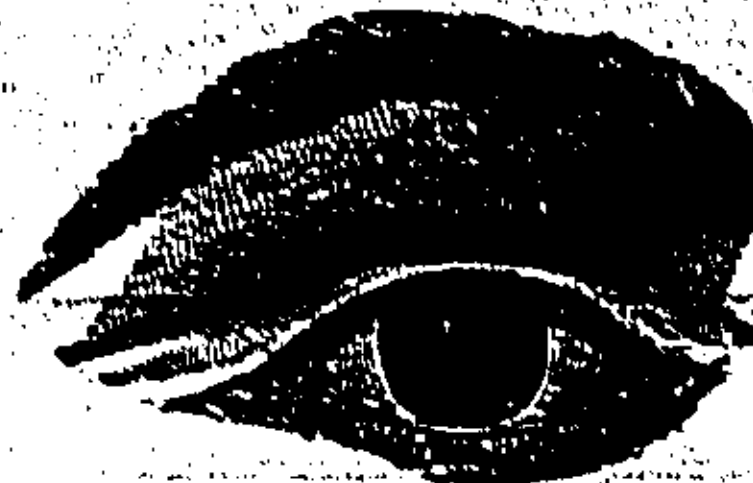
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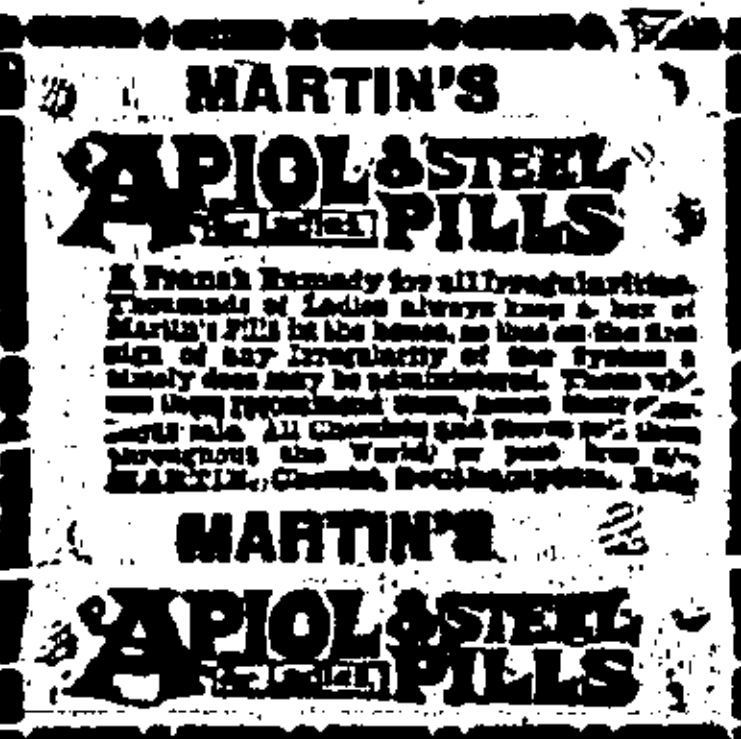
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THE WAR.

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SUNDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

WESTERN FRONT.

GERMAN BATTERIES SILENCED.

Paris, Dec. 18.

A communique states:—The cannonade has been much more severe along the whole front. The Anglo-French artillery, acting in concert, successfully bombarded the enemy trenches in Belgium. Several German batteries in Champagne were also silenced.

Two aeroplanes dropped twenty heavy bombs on the Metz and Sablon stations.

INTENSE GENERAL BOMBARDMENT.

Paris, Dec. 18.

A communique reports a general bombardment, especially intense in Artois, where aerial torpedoes were used. The French blew up an assemblage of German wheeled transport in the neighbourhood of Cambes.

GERMAN BOMBERS EASILY REFUSED.

London, Dec. 18.

A despatch from Headquarters in France states that last night the enemy made a small bombing attack on our line about the quarries north of Loos, but they were easily repulsed. There has been artillery activity the day long, especially north of Ypres.

SUPERIORITY OF ALLIES.

THE PROBLEM FACING THE ENEMY.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 18.

The latest German report states that the Germans are concentrating at St. Mihiel. There is growing evidence that not only are the Germans active, but that undoubtedly the enemy must throw new forces, especially artillery, into the West, where the superiority of the Allied guns is wrecking the German trenches, and the moral of the troops.

BALKAN CAMPAIGN.

BETTER RAILWAY FACILITIES FOR ALLIES.

SALONIKA, Dec. 18.

A prominent Greek official has arrived with a view to assuring better railway and telegraphic facilities for the Allies.

ALLIES' SOLID DEFENSIVE IN THE BALKANS.

Paris, Dec. 18.

The Allies in Greece have prepared a solid defensive. The heavy guns of the Germans do not seem to have arrived. This doubtless accounts for the enemy not crossing the frontier.

THE FORTIFICATIONS AT SALONIKA.

GERMAN THREAT.

QUESTION OF ALLIED LIMITS.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

The Athens correspondent of the Times says that the German Minister, replying to Greek objections to the entry of Austro-German troops into Greece, declared that the fortifications which the Allies are constructing at Salonika compel Germany to take action in Greek territory in order to expel the Allies.

M. Skouloudis rejoined that Greece will never allow the Bulgarians to set foot on Greek soil.

The Ministerial organ, *Epitros*, asserts that the Government intends to protest against the fortifications of Salonika as exceeding the limits conceded.

RUSSIAN FRONT.

RUSSIANS PREPARING NEW OFFENSIVE.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 18.

The latest German report states that there is reliable news that the Russians are also preparing a new offensive.

KURDS DRIVEN TO MOUNTAINS.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 18.

A communique states:—There are reports of engagements resulting in favour of the Russians northward of Lake Dravitsky, and northward of Dabno. Hundreds of Kurds were engaged on the north-eastern extremity of Lake Van, but were driven to the mountains, leaving sixty dead.

SUBMARINE WARFARE.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

The Italian steamer *Port Said*, and the British steamer *Levenpool* have been sunk.

THE DARDANELLES.

PARIS, Dec. 18.

A communique states that there is no change in the situation at the Dardanelles.

TERRIBLE RAILWAY ACCIDENT IN ENGLAND.

PASSENGERS BURNED TO DEATH.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

There was a terrible railway accident at South Shields, a passenger train, a pilot engine and an empty workmen's train all colliding in a fog. It is reported that several coaches of the passenger train are all right, but in others the passengers were burned to death.

LATER.

There were on the workmen's train a number of women and children in the front position. The carriage doors jammed, and some of the passengers were pinned by their legs.

Suddenly the gas exploded; the first two carriages burst into flames and most of the occupants are believed to have met with a awful fate.

The rescuers did their utmost, attracted by the cries of the injured, and medical aid was soon on the scene. It is reported that twelve were killed and many injured.

MRS. ASQUITH SUES THE "GLOBE."

ALLEGED ACCUSATIONS OF WANT OF LOYALTY.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

Mrs. Asquith wife of the Prime Minister, is suing *The Globe* to restrain the publication of alleged libels. Her Counsel stated that she had been persecuted by accusations of want of loyalty in her associations with German prisoners at Donington Hall. She had also been described as a traitor, and a disgrace to her sex. These attacks were suspended only on the issue of a writ.

The *Globe's* Counsel said the question was whether the words "wife of a Cabinet Minister" referred to Mrs. Asquith.

The latter's Counsel contended that the words referred to his client, who denied on oath all the imputations. The case was postponed until Tuesday.

THE VICEROY OF INDIA.

RAMOUR DENIED.

LONDON, Dec. 18.

The rumour that Mr. McKenna will succeed Viscount Hardinge as Viceroy of India is declared to be without foundation.

SITUATION IN PERSIA.

RUSSIANS OCCUPYING HAMADAN.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 18.

It is reported from Teheran that owing to the advances of the Russians the Government Committee at Kum has fled to Isfahan.

EATE OF BRITISH COLONIES.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 18.

The Russian War Loan of one thousand millions of rubles is assured of success. The Minister of Finance has drawn up a new fiscal scheme which is expected to produce an annual surplus of 301,000,000 rubles. State monopolies of tea, coffee and matches are contemplated.

AUSTRIA AND AMERICA.

AUSTRIA FAILS TO MEET DEMANDS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.

The Austrian Note in regard to the *Ancona* outrage has been received. A hurried Cabinet meeting discussed the Austrian Note and dispersed without any announcement.

The position is regarded as being of the gravest.

Mr. Lansing, Secretary of State, has stated that the text of the Note will not be published till it has been thoroughly studied.

At the conclusion of the Cabinet meeting Mr. Lansing admitted that Austria had not yet met any of the American demands. A rupture, however, is not believed to be likely prior to another exchange of Notes.

The frequent visits of the Austrian Charge d'Affaires to the State Department is regarded as indicating that informal negotiations are in progress.

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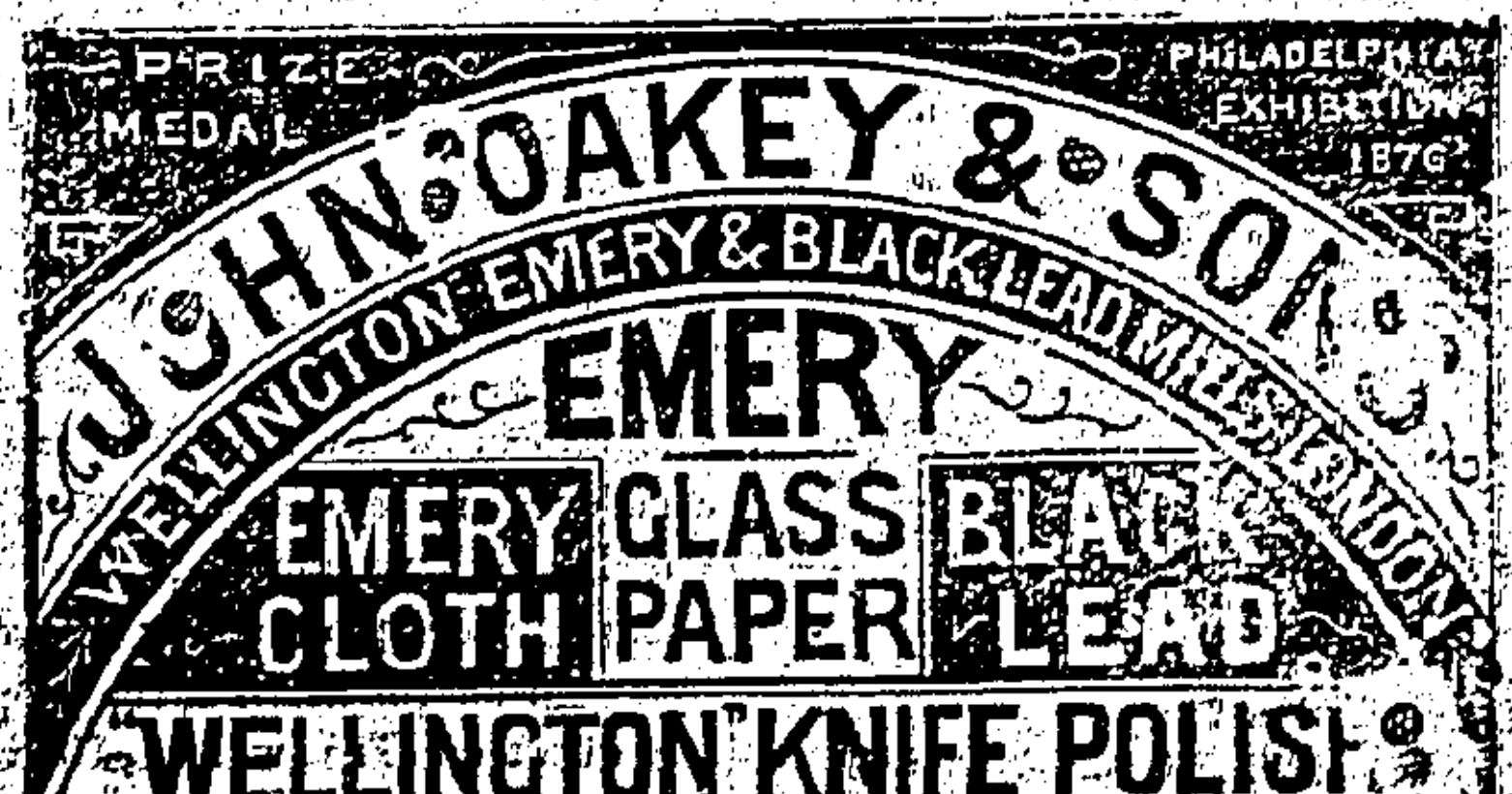
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FRIDAY, Dec. 24—

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SATURDAY, Dec. 25—

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MONDAY, Dec. 27—

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THE POLITICAL WHIRLWIND IN CHINA.

The Chinese official has always been a professed believer in the doctrine that he himself shall be exalted. We may find the highest expression of this sentiment in the attitude of the Emperor-elect of China. The request to him to accept the Throne, he told the Li Fa Yuan (or Administrative Council) "greatly astonished" him, though all the world had known for weeks and months that this formality was to be gone through. "Heaven creates the people and gives them a King," said the President in his message, "and only such men as have great achievements and superior virtues can accept such a high position." As for himself, he had spent thirty years in the Government service, and had achieved nothing worth mentioning for the advantage of the State or the benefit of the people. Moreover, the President told the Li Fa Yuan that when he thought of the former Emperor he was very much ashamed, and "on the ground of morality" he was obliged to refuse the Throne. He had not forgotten also that when the Republic was inaugurated he made oath and declared to the National Council that he would do all in his power to uphold Republican principles. "If I now become Emperor I would be breaking my oath," and therefore "on the ground of sincerity" also he could not accept the Throne.

In turn, the Li Fa Yuan expressed its "great surprise" that the President should decline to accept nomination. "We admire the modesty, virtue and greatness of our Emperor," the Li Fa Yuan said in reply to the President's message, "but during this critical time, the earnest longings of the people, like the rolling waves of the sea, can in no way be controlled." They believed the President to be "the only person in the whole country who has supreme virtues and high achievements, and who commands the confidence and respect of the people." The Li Fa Yuan's message, went on to say: "He is protected by Heaven, by whom all the hearts of the people are directed. The will of Heaven must be respected, and the people must be ruled by a King. Therefore, 'our Emperor' is sincerely entreated not to follow any longer the empty usage of humbleness, and disregard the wishes of Heaven, but immediately ascend the Throne so as to restore peace to the minds of the people and so solidify the foundations of the Chung Empire for everlasting ages." The President, however, still protested that his refusal was not due to excessive humility, but to a knowledge of his incapacity. However, he "bowled to the will of the people," and the

curtain has been rung down on the short-lived republic of China. What difference it will make to the national life of China, Time alone will tell us, but just as the Vicar of Bray declared that whatever King might reign he would still be Vicar of Bray, so we suspect that whether Yuan Shih Kai rules as a Monarch or as President it will be all the same to the great mass of the people of China.

Great stress is laid on the unanimity of the feeling expressed throughout the country in favour of the change, and we observe that the Government has decided to have all the messages received from the various provinces translated and printed, for the information of the Foreign Powers! A volume which gave a faithful account of how this public opinion had been manufactured would be vastly more interesting. It was stated, for instance, in a Hankow contemporary recently that the Chiangchun and the Civil Governor requested the Chamber of Commerce at this centre to meet, and submitted to the members a telegram expressing their desire for a monarchy and urging the President to become Emperor. They were asked to sign and forward this telegram to Peking. The members unanimously declined to do so; whereupon they were told that their names would be used and the telegram forwarded just the same. This was actually done. It would be interesting to know whether any other telegrams, and if so how many, had a similar history. As an addendum to the volume, a statement of the actual cost in hard cash of manufacturing this national sentiment would also prove highly interesting and instructive. However, we are assured that the object of it all is the welfare and progress of China, and we can only hope the end will be found to justify the means.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. G. T. Edkins has been re-nominated a Member of the Court of the University of Hongkong.

Mr. F. K. H. Dwyer has been elected a Member of the Council of the University of Hongkong.

Prof. C. A. M. Smith has been re-elected a Member of the Council of the University of Hongkong.

The appointment of Mr. F. H. Holyoak as an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council is gazetted.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell is appointed to act as Chief Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs and as a Deputy Registrar of marriages.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley has been appointed a Member of the Sanitary Board, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. E. A. Hewitt, C.M.G.

Another Shanghai volunteer has been wounded in action. The name of Second-Lieutenant T. R. Evans, of the 10th Battalion Yorkshire Regiment, appears in the Casualty list of the 8th November. Mr. Evans was a son of the late Mr. P. de T. Evans, and prior to going home was employed in the Public Works Department, S.M.C.

Mr. Frank Lammert left last week for Sandakan where he has been offered the post of accountant in the North Borneo Trading Co. Mr. Frank Lammert is well known in the Colony, especially in connection with the Victoria Recreation Club, of which he had been a member for 28 years; latterly being the Club's Honorary Secretary.

Mr. P. Inglis, who was for a long time associated with the Hongkong Telegraph as sub-editor, and who has been appointed to the position of assistant-editor of the Straits Times, was entertained to dinner at the Astor House Hotel on Saturday night by his journalistic friends. During the evening he was the recipient of a case of pipes as a token of their good fellowship and sincere wishes for success in his new sphere.

Mr. Christopher Tod, of Messrs Jardine Matheson & Co., Hankow branch, having been recommended for a commission, is leaving for home this month. Mr. Tod, whether as volunteer, fireman or fighting on the football field, was always distinguished for his courage, a quality which will stand him in good stead in the great game at the front, says a Hankow paper. Upwards of thirty young men of Messrs Jardine Matheson & Co.'s staff are stated to have joined the army since the beginning of the war.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Tenth of Criminal Sessions have been adjourned until the 29th inst. The calendar includes one murder charge and four charges of manslaughter.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks a donation of \$25 to the funds of the Hospitals by Mr. T. H. Chen.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha have removed their offices to the Ground Floor, King's Buildings, No. 8, Connaught Road Central (formerly occupied by the Pacific Mail Steamship Co.).

Arrangements are being made by the Chinese Government with a Japanese syndicate for a loan of Yen 5,000,000, for the proposed railway between Suiyungchiang and Tseungchiang in Manchuria.

It is reported from authentic sources, a northern contemporary says, that four new Custom Houses will soon be inaugurated at Tacheng (Sichang), Suiyung, Ninghsia, (Kansu), and Toluncheh (Chihli).

We have received from Messrs Ah Fong an excellent photograph of the parade of the Hongkong Volunteers and Volunteer Reserves, when Major Macdonald and Capt. Lammert were decorated [with the V.D.].

Seven notifications of enteric fever, (one Portuguese, one Indian, one British and the rest Chinese) three of which terminated fatally; and one fatal British case of diphtheria are recorded by the medical Officer of Health for last week.

Naval manoeuvres will be held next spring when the Emperor, as Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy, will personally review the Chinese Navy. The manoeuvres will be held in the Taku waters and the Ministry of the Navy has begun to make preparations.

At a meeting of high officials in the Central Park it was decided to establish a National Hospital in Peking which will serve as a model for similar establishments in other cities. \$200,000 have been subscribed. Dr. Wu Lien-teh will be placed in charge of the hospital.

These in search of Christmas books and other gifts, suitable to the season should be interested in the advertisement appearing in our columns today, of the local depot of the British and Foreign Bible Society and Religious Trust Society at No. 2 Wyndham Street.

The Printing and Engraving Bureau in Peking is now seeking rare jade stones with which to make the Imperial seals of the new Empire. Orders have been issued to the Governors of the provinces, enjoining them to search for the best grades of jade stone. It has been decided that nine Imperial seals should be made for the new Empire, all to be of white jade.

A lady named Mrs. Turner, living in Kowloon, met with a nasty accident at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, being knocked down by a motor car as she was crossing the road after visiting a friend's house. She sustained such severe injuries on the head that she was removed to the French Hospital in an unconscious condition and at a late hour last night had not recovered consciousness, but on inquiry to day was stated to be a little better.

The following thefts are reported this morning:—\$500 from a cooie at 60 Bonham Street, being money collected from the compradors of the Charles Harcourt; money and clothing valued at \$258 from two Peking University students stopping at the Hang On boarding house; and a conjuror's assistant stopping at the latter house has disappeared with seven cases of clothing and \$250 in advance wages.

The Japanese recently discovered at Tsingtao gold ingots to the value of Yen 750,000 which had belonged to the German Garrison there. The late manager of the Russo-Asiatic Bank at Tsingtao, who served as a Lieutenant in the German Garrison and was sent to Japan as a prisoner of war, has been taken back to Tsingtao to give an account of this money before the local tribunal. Other discoveries of a similar character are said to have been made.

Sir Wm. Ross Davies this morning, in the Supreme Court, granted an order to wind up the Yuen On Fire, Exchange, Loan and Gold Company. Mr. P. C. Jenkins appeared to support the application and stated that the liabilities of the firm amounted to \$50,000 of which \$38,000 had arisen through recent fires at Canton. The minimum capital was a million dollars and the amount of capital paid up was \$500,000. Several actions against the Company were pending. An application to wind up the Kwong Wo Hong Co., Ltd., general storekeepers and warehousemen, was adjourned until January 3rd, Mr. Jenkins stating that he was waiting for papers from Singapore in order to satisfy the Registrar that the application had been advertised fully.

THE CHILDREN'S COLDS.

WATCH the children's colds and cure them before they weaken the vitality. Use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy freely. It is perfectly safe. It has been tested by chemists and pronounced free from injurious substances and costs but a trifling sum for sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

RACING TOPICS.

The first batch of subs. having arrived and been drawn for, also a number of griffins having arrived, things "horsey" are beginning to hum. Now is the season for "Flor de Dindigal" check caps, and the annual siring of Jodhpore and riding breeches, to say nothing of stop watches. The Race Course is already commencing to look like business and the Clerk of the Course, together with the stewards, is running the tape over the new arrivals to ascertain whether they shall be registered as big or small.

The general opinion about the first lot of subs. is that they are "quite a good-looking and likely-looking lot." Three of the batch are credited with having performed their trial paces in 1.30.2, but it is rarely that the fastest performers in Shanghai justify themselves in Hongkong; as the two months' training which follows down here brings out the best points in the backward ones and usually cracks up the Shanghai fliers.

Mr. H. P. White drew an iron grey, one of the fastest in the trials, but it looks very light, and has nothing to work on in the matter of flesh.

Mr. Mackie, of Shanghai, has drawn the pony which is said to be the real "gen," but personally I would rather draw one of the big beefy ones which would be likely to develop with time and care.

Mr. Dyer drew the third of the trio of fliers and this pony certainly looks very promising, quite a nice type of China pony. I always think that the more a China pony resembles a pony and not a horse, the more likely he is to turn out well.

Mr. Morton Smith has drawn a tall, leggy pony, that looks like a Waller cross, but the fault with this breed of animal is that they have rarely any endurance and cannot carry their "weight" for inches.

No. 4 section of A Company, looking pony, which, if of no use for anything else, could carry at least half the section.

Mr. Soares has drawn a marbled grey, wrongly described as a white, which certainly is of fine quality and breeding and should be able to gallop.

So far so serious objection could be raised against any of this batch and most of them will make things a bit lively for the "ride" boys as they are usually a bit fresh after the voyage and subsequent rest.

Mr. Ellis Kadoodle's string arrived yesterday, 10 in all, including six griffins, one of which has already scorched the turf in Shanghai. This pony is credited with a mile in 2.9.35, which is good going for a new griffin.

The remainder of the subs., so say the "ride" boys, have been passed and were probably shipped to-day.

CHARGE AGAINST A TRAM CONDUCTOR.

Alleged Sale of Old Tickets.

A Chinese tram conductor was charged before Mr. Wood at the Magistrate's this afternoon with defrauding the Hongkong Tramway Company by selling old tickets.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton appeared for the Tramway Company, and Mr. G. R. Hay "defended."

Evidence as to the system of the issue of tickets was given by representatives of the Company.

An Inspector stated that defendant said he had lost money by gambling and had little wages left. He did not take the names and addresses of the passengers. They refused to give him their names. Witness had not been trying to borrow money from the defendant. It was not a regular custom for the Inspector to squeeze anyone under him.

Defendant was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

THE LICENSING BOARD.

An Answer to Press Comment.

Reference to Press comment on Licensing Board procedure was made by the Chairman of the Board, the Hon. Mr. Gladstone, at a meeting of the Board this afternoon, when a licence for the Alexandra Café was granted to Mrs. Clara Clegg. He said: "It is the wish of the members of the Board that I should draw attention to the remarks which have appeared in the public Press to the effect that the representatives of the Press have been required to withdraw when business which would be of interest to the public was to be discussed, and that in certain methods were to be deprecated on the occasion which gave rise to these remarks no business was transacted after the representatives of the Press had left, and that 'on no occasion is business transacted which could have any interest for the public without representatives of the Press having an opportunity of being present.'"

A Chinese who attempted to escape by jumping into the harbour and swimming away, was caught by the Indian constable who plunged in after him, and was fined \$10 or a month by Mr. Hazeldan this morning for stealing cinnamon from the godowns.

WHOOPING COUGH.

WHEN your child has whooping cough and you want to keep the cough loose and expectoration easy by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as may be required. This remedy will also liquify the tough mucus and make it easier to expectorate. It has been used successfully in many epidemics and as it contains no narcotics or other injurious substances it is perfectly safe. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

COMPANY MEETING.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY AND CHINA TRADERS CO.

An extraordinary meeting of the directors and shareholders of the Union Insurance Society of Canton Ltd. and the China Traders Insurance Company, Ltd. this morning confirmed the extraordinary resolutions passed by meetings of the same Companies on December 4th. There were present: Mr. S. H. Dowdall (chairman), Mr. J. W. C. Bonner, Mr. J. A. Plummer, Mr. W. L. Fattenden, Hon. Mr. P. H. Helyar, Mr. A. Forbes, Mr. G. T. Edkins, directors; Mr. Montague Edie, secretary; Messrs W. R. Thursfield, R. F. Hall and Ho Fook, shareholders.

The CHAIRMAN moved the adoption of the resolutions and Mr. Douber seconded, the motion being carried unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN thanked the members for the resolutions and observed that the Society was now in a position to deal with the shareholders of the China Fire Insurance Company in accordance with the terms of the Society's offer.

MARINE-MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE.

Alan Cameron, supernumerary 2nd officer on the s.s. "Hansang" was charged by Capt. P. H. Rolfe, Marine Superintendent of "Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., before Commander Beekwith at the Marine Court this morning with unlawfully absenting himself without leave from his ship from December 14th to December 16th.

Capt. Rolfe stated that defendant only joined the ship on December 14 and obtained leave to go ashore. When he came aboard on December 16 he went to his room without reporting for duty. The ship was chartered to the Admiralty, and the master, in view of this officer's conduct, refused to go to sea with him.

The defendant stated that he thought he had leave until 3.30 p.m. next day. As he had only just joined the Company, the case was dismissed, defendant being warned not to be brought up on this charge again.

LAUNCHES WITH TOO MANY PASSENGERS.

Special Constable S. R. Moore charged the masters of the steam launches "Wai Hing" and "Hoi Nam" before Commander Beekwith at the Marine Court this morning with carrying passengers in excess of the number allowed.

Giving evidence in the first case, he said the launch on her trip to Yuenai was very crowded and had a bad list. There were 158 passengers on board, besides children. There was no control of the numbers carried by these ferries. The coxswain stated that on each trip the shroff collected the fares and furnished a list to the office.

The case was dismissed, there being no further evidence in support of the charge. The case against the master of the "Hoi Nam" was adjourned.

BOATMEN FINED.

Two boatmen were fined \$10 each this morning for being the outside of more than five boats lying alongside the s.s. "St. Albans."

WEEK-END FIRES.

Three people were burnt to death and three injured in fires in Hongkong during the week-end.

The deaths occurred in a fire at some matchworks at Lo Kog village on Saturday, involving damage to property estimated at \$700. The victims were two married women and a boy or three.

Another fire on Saturday, at 79, Sai Kok, did damage to the building, an eating-house, and destroyed \$250 worth of stock.

Three persons were injured in a fire about 2 o'clock this morning which gutted four houses in Lun Fat Street, Wanchai, near the power station.

REGIMENTAL COURT-MARTIAL.

A Regimental Court-Martial, composed as usual, will assemble at Volunteer Headquarters, Garden Road, at 10.30 a.m. to-morrow, for the purpose of trying by Regimental Court-Martial No. 330 Corporal George Martin, Hongkong Volunteer Reserve, and another accused as may be brought before it.

A MISSING JAPANESE STEAMER.

The whereabouts of the Japanese steamer, Senji Maru, 6,500 tons, belonging to the Taiyuan Steamship Company of Yokohama, is unknown. She was chartered by an American firm in San Francisco early this year. Carrying a full cargo of kerosene oil she left Philadelphia for the Far East in the early part of October of this year. Shortly after her departure from Philadelphia she was ordered to proceed to the Orient by way of Suez owing to the block in the Panama Canal. The latest telegram from her is that she left Olan, some five hundred miles to the east of Gibraltar, bound for Port Said, 17th November. It takes about ten days between Olan and Port Said but twenty days have passed and no word has been received from her. She is equipped with wireless. Japan Advertiser.

UNNECESSARY WORDS.

WHY waste words and advertising space in describing the many points of merit in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? The most laudatory are satisfied when we state that it cures colds and coughs from any cause, and that it contains absolutely no narcotics or injurious substances. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

SPORTING.

CRICKET.

University Wins Over "Queen's."

Low batting characterised the game between Queen's College and the University at "Cricketground." Bowling was unusually keen. Fletcher took six wickets as a cost of 5 runs each and Ho Wing Kin did the "hat-trick," taking eight for 13 runs. Details—

Queen's College.
S. I. Edwards, b Ho Wing Kin ... 34
S. I. Edwards, b Ho Wing Kin ... 21
V. Hall, a Macey, b Ho Wing Kin ... 7
S. Orisk, a Anderson, b Ho Wing Kin ... 0
W. Kay, c Chan Wing To, b Ho Wing Kin ... 4
Kin ... 4
C. Choi, b Ho Wing Kin ... 5
J. O. Fletcher, not out ... 5
E. Woodcock, b Ho Wing Kin ... 0
W. Gittens, b Ho Wing Kin ... 0
S. D. Ismail, c and b Ho Wing Kin ... 0
A. Hamid did not bat ... 4
Extras ... 4
Total ... 48

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Ho Wing Kin ... 8 5 13 8
Anderson ... 6 1 21 0
Ng Sze Kwong ... 2 0 6 1

UNIVERSITY.

A. H. Rumjaba, b Kay ... 7
Chan Wing To, b Kay ... 4
Ng Sze Cheung, b Mowdeen, b Fletcher ... 0
Yang Hin Loon, b Fletcher ... 0
Wai Wing Look, b Fletcher ... 6
Ho Wing Kin, c Ismail, b Fletcher ... 4
C. G. Anderson, b Kay ... 0
L. Wright, b Fletcher ... 4
Wai Wing Hon, c and b Mowdeen ... 8
Ng Sze Kwong, b Fletcher ... 1
G. E. Macey, not out ... 38
Extras ... 13
Total ... 85

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Kay ... 12 4 21 3
Fletcher ... 9 2 18 8
Hall ... 3 1 15 0
Johnson ... 5 0 19 0
Mowdeen ... 1 0 1 1

FOOTBALL.

SHOOTING BEAT R.O.A.

By two clear goals the Shooters beat the R.O.A. on Saturday at Happy Valley after giving an excellent display in every department at his home seen on the ground. It was a long time. The winners were certainly very superior to their rivals, who had got the better of them the Saturday before. Their captain, Williams, gave a fine individual display in defence, breaking up the attack with great coolness and precision, while team as a whole gave a brilliant display of open football, passing and combination. They had the game practically all their own way after Drury had scored their first goal, their second point coming from Brown about midway in the second half. Their superiority was all back, especially marked, while the methods of the Shooters' forwards were neither as scientific nor as effective as those of the opposing front line.

NAVY V. R.E.

The game between the Navy and the R.E. was going 2-0 in favour of the former when brought to an abrupt conclusion by a military accident. The interval, through the disobedience of an order to leave the field of a R.E. man who had objected to the award of a penalty from which the Navy had scored. The game up to then had been fairly equal, but although the Engineers had been laying nearly as much of the play, their work in front of goal was generally only moderate, although they had hard luck with one or two shots which struck the cross-bar. They began well, and went off with a promising burst after their first goal, but the Navy scored first through Palmer while Fennimore converted the penalty that led to such unpleasant results.

SECOND DIVISION GAME.

An early goal by McGarry encouraged the Artillery in their game of the Navy ground, while bad shooting by the College, who picked up after the interval, was the other feature which gave the Artillery the game.

The Islamic went down by a goal to nil to the 32nd Company. The game was good, the winners being more vigorous and dashing.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

DIVISION I. TABLE TO DATE.

Club	P	W	L	D	Goals
K.S.L.I.	4	2	2	4	16
R.E.	3	2	1	3	16
Hongkong F.C.	3	1	1	3	12
N.G.A.	2	2			

THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

WESTERN FRONT.

VISCOUNT FRENCH'S FAREWELL TO THE ARMY.

"GLORIOUS ENDING NOT FAR DISTANT."

London, Dec. 19.
Viscount French, Field Marshal, in his farewell message to the Army in France, says he is firmly convinced that a glorious ending of their splendid and heroic efforts is not far distant.

He heartily thanked them all.

The message reads:—"On relinquishing the command of the British Army in France, I wish to express to the Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and men with whom I have been so closely associated these last sixteen months, my heartfelt sorrow at parting from them before the campaign wherein we have been so long engaged together has been brought to a victorious conclusion. I have, however, the firmest conviction that such a glorious ending to your splendid and heroic efforts is not far distant and I shall watch their progress towards the final goal with intense interest, but in the most confident hope. The success so far attained has been due to the indomitable spirit, the dogged tenacity which knows no defeat and the heroic courage so abundantly displayed by the rank and file of the splendid Army which will ever remain the pride and glory of my life to have commanded for over sixteen months' incessant fighting.

The Regular and Territorial of the Old Army and of the New Army have ever shown these magnificent qualities in equal degree.

At this last moment of parting, my heart goes out to those who have received life-long injury. I think with sorrow of the great and glorious host of beloved comrades who have made the greatest sacrifices, laying down their lives for their country.

In saying good-bye to the British Army in France, I ask them, once again, to accept this expression of my deepest gratitude and heartfelt devotion, and my earnest good wishes for a glorious future, which I feel is assured.

THE RECRUITING CAMPAIGN.

"HEART OF THE COUNTRY ABSOLUTELY RIGHT."

Lord Derby, speaking on Sunday afternoon at a meeting in London, said he was convinced that a statement of the results of the recruiting would show that the heart of the country was absolutely right. Probably the end of the war would come sooner than many expected.

METZ BOMBARDED BY FRENCH AIRMEN.

Amsterdam, Dec. 19.
A German communiqué states that hostile airmen bombarded Metz on Saturday night, damaging "aero property."

Paris, Dec. 19.
A communiqué states that French aeroplanes bombed Sablon station at Metz.

"EXCELLENT RESULTS."

Paris, Dec. 19.
A communiqué says:—"The bombardment of German works and encampments in the Apremont sector, south-eastward of St. Mihiel, continued into the night, and yielded excellent results."

NORWEGIAN STEAMER SUNK.

London, Dec. 19.
The Norwegian steamer Nido has been sunk. Eleven survivors of the crew, and the pilot, have landed.

TEUTONIC CONSPIRACIES IN AMERICA.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT ARREST.

New York, Dec. 19.

A Bank clerk named Schleindl, who has been secretary to Koenig, head of the German secret service in the United States, has been arrested on a charge of the larceny of documents and cablegrams which are alleged to have been handed to the German Government's representatives.

Detectives said Schleindl confessed to obtaining information regarding shipments of munitions from the private records of the Bank at which he was employed.

When he was arrested, a telegram was found in his pocket regarding the shipment of two million rifles to the Allies.

Schleindl admitted that he was a German reservist.

Koenig and Lyndecker have been released on bail of \$10,000 and \$5,000 sterling respectively.

"FORD'S ARK."

A QUARREL IN THE DOVECOTE.

London, Dec. 19.

Ford's "peace ship" has left Kirkwall for Christiania.

Christiania, Dec. 19.
Ford's "Peace Pilgrims" have arrived. There was no official or other reception; only Pressmen were on board.

Mr. Ford said the British were most gracious to the party at Kirkwall, but none of the party were allowed to land there. Mr. Ford had the impression that the British wished, for peace, but he thought this also was the case with the other belligerent peoples. He said the basis of peace must be the status quo ante bellum.

Mr. Ford denied that there had been any disagreement aboard, but said some members would leave the Expedition at Christiania, because they were sick.

American journalists about confirmed the story of a quarrel due to some members refusing to sign a protest against President Wilson's policy.

The party on arrival at Christiania proceeded quietly to the hotels.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

WESTERN FRONT.

ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

Paris, Dec. 19.
There has been an intense bombardment of the German trenches in the region between the Somme and the Oise, and between Soissons and Rheims. The enemy's batteries in the latter district were silenced.

LATER.
The day has been generally quiet. As it was misty it was unsuitable to the artillery but this Anglo-French artillery has silenced the hostile guns north of Ypres.

GERMAN CRUISER AND TORPEDO-BOAT SUNK.

Amsterdam, Dec. 19.
A Berlin official announcement states that the small cruiser Bremen, and a torpedo-boat, which was accompanying her, have been sunk by a submarine in the eastern Baltic. A considerable portion of the crew were rescued.

[The "Bremen" was a cruiser of 3,200 tons displacement, designed for a speed of 23 knots. She was built in 1904. She was armed with ten 4.1 in. and 10 smaller guns.]

GERMAN HYDROPLANE CAPTURED.

Paris, Dec. 19.
A Naval communiqué says that a torpedo-boat pursued two hydroplanes which were resting on the water near the Outrotel Bank, off Nieuport. One of them escaped, but the other, which was hit, capsized and was captured with two naval men.

BALKAN CAMPAIGN.

MASTERLY RETIREMENT OF THE FRENCH.

London, Dec. 19.
Reuter's Correspondent at the Headquarters in the Balkans describes the final phase of the French retreat as masterly.

A new bridgehead was established at Gradetz, where there was severe fighting, and where there was an enormous accumulation of stores. Rolling stock and heavy guns were sent to the rear before the retirement of the troops had begun. The French lost three hundred yards of trench and the advance line wavered, but the men rallied and held their ground further in the rear, while the bridgehead remained intact. When the troops were ordered to retire their Left, which was the most vulnerable, was strengthened, and the retreat to Govegeli was carried out without loss. The evacuation of the hospitals and stores at Govegeli, which has been a base, and also the fog, delayed the retirement for 48 hours, but the movements were carried out normally. All the attacks were repulsed.

Altogether the French lost 2,000 killed and wounded in the retirement.

GENERAL SARRAIL'S VIEWS.

Salonika, Dec. 19.
General Sarrail is quoted by a correspondent as having said: "Events will find us ready to resist any attacks. Meaning the Greek mobilization continues, indicating that the Government is alive to any contingency that may still be dragged into the conflict."

THE FORTIFICATION OF SALONIKA.

GREECE PROTESTS.

Paris, Dec. 19.
The organization of the entrenched camp at Salonika continues.

London, Dec. 19.
Reuter is informed that Greece has addressed to the Entente a formal protest against the fortification of Salonika.

A LULL.

Paris, Dec. 19.
A communiqué states that there is nothing noteworthy to report regarding Macedonia or the Dardanelles.

FRENCH CRUISER DESTROYS GERMAN MUNITIONS FACTORY.

Paris, Dec. 19.
A French cruiser bombarded and entirely destroyed a German war material factory at Haifa (on the Syrian coast).

RENEWED ACTIVITY IN RUSSIA.

Petrograd, Dec. 19.
A communiqué reports a series of minor reconnaissances and artillery engagements on the German front, all being favourable to the Russians.

AMERICA AND AUSTRIA.

SECOND NOTE BEING DRAFTED.

Washington, Dec. 19.
President Wilson is drafting a second Note to Austria, which, it is expected, will be despatched in a few days.

It is understood that the Note will ask for an immediate reply and will clearly state the consequences if the reply is unsatisfactory.

RUSSIANS PURSUE THE ENEMY IN PERSIA.

Petrograd, Dec. 19.
A communiqué announces that south-west of Hamadan the Russian troops continue to press the enemy closely.

SMUGGLING RUBBER INTO GERMANY.

Eight thousand pounds seized in post.

London, Dec. 19.
The Foreign Office announces that of 300 bags of parcel mails seized aboard the Swedish steamer Helligö, 100 contained nothing but rubber, the estimated weight of which was 8,000 lbs. All these parcels were consigned to a well-known enemy forwarding agent in Sweden.

THE PREMIER'S PLEDGE.

London, Dec. 19.
Lord Derby, speaking at Bolton, said that Mr. Asquith will keep his pledge both in the letter and in the spirit, with practically the whole of the country behind him.

FLEA FOR DUTCH EDITOR'S ACQUITTAL.

Amsterdam, Dec. 19.
The Public Prosecutor has appealed for the acquittal of Dr. Schroeder, the Chief Editor of the Telegraaf, who is charged with endangering neutrality by publishing an article in which it was said that it was a group of conscienceless scoundrels in Central Europe who caused the war.

PRESIDENT WILSON WEDS.

Washington, Dec. 19.
President Wilson was married to Mrs. Salt yesterday. After the ceremony, which was of the simplest character, Dr. and Mrs. Wilson left for the South, where the honeymoon is to be spent. They will be away for a fortnight.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, Dec. 19.
Messrs. Montagu and Co.'s report on the Silver Market says the request appearance of the market has been somewhat belied by the sales on account of China. Purchases are still being made for home coinage, but there is a fall, which will probably be short, in the Continental demand. Meanwhile there is insufficient competition to animate the market, even though America is only a small seller.

EFFECT OF THE WAR ON UNIVERSITIES.

London, Dec. 19.
The changed conditions at the Universities are attested by the fact that the examiners in Ireland for the Craven Scholarships declined to award them, but Rajavi P. Dux, has been honourably mentioned for his work in the examination.

"AN OUTRAGEOUS BREACH OF PRIVILEGE."

London, Dec. 19.
Numerous members of the House of Commons—Unionist, Liberal and Labour alike—express resentment that forty Anti-Compulsion Members of the House had waited upon the Prime Minister for the purpose of putting their views before him.

They consider that it was "an outrageous breach of privilege," especially after the Premier had given his word to the married men.

Moderate Liberals affirm that nobody had any right to try to antagonize Mr. Asquith's statement. His pledge was seriously meant and will honourably be carried out.

Single men should wait at once.

Conservatives and many Labourites describe the deputation as a big mistake and do not believe that the Government will give in to slackers.

GERMAN CONSPIRACIES IN AMERICA.

MORE SECRET SERVICE AGENTS ARRESTED.

New York, Dec. 19.
Raul Koenig, who is stated to be the Head of the German secret service in the United States, and Richard Lyndecker have been arrested on a charge of conspiracy to blow up the Welland Canal.

Five hundred horses have been drowned on the North River owing to the sinking of a barge, which was possibly scuttled by German agents.

HELP FROM SOUTH AFRICA.

Durban, Dec. 19.
A contingent of Indian Ambulance men have left for Europe.

CANADA AND WAR ORDERS.

EFFORT TO ESTABLISH CANADIAN CREDIT.

Toronto, Dec. 19.
Mr. White, the Finance Minister, in the course of a speech, said: "The greatest financial problem which is facing Canada at the present time is the establishment of some form of Canadian credit, which will relieve Great Britain from the necessity of shipping gold for the payment of war supplies. The question whether Canada can give this assistance to the Empire will have a direct bearing upon the placing of further war orders in Canada." He also declared that Canada should partially finance present and further war orders.

BELGIAN OFFICIAL COMMITS SUICIDE.

London, Dec. 19.
Mr. Charles Beatty, Deputy Inspector of Police for Belgium, committed suicide at Cheltenham.

RECRUITING IN GREAT BRITAIN.

MEN "CALLED UP."

London, Dec. 19.
An important step was taken to-day under Lord Derby's recruiting scheme. Bills were posted calling out groups 2, 3, 4 and 5 on January 20th.

These are the unmarried men from nineteen to twenty-two years of age.

OBITUARY.

EARL DE LA WAR.

London, Dec. 19.
The death is announced of Earl De la War, from rheumatic fever and pneumonia, at Messina.

MR. ARTHUR STANLEY, M.P.

The death is also announced of Mr. Arthur Stanley, the Labour M.P.

SIR JOHN REYS.

The death is announced of the Rt. Hon. Sir John Reys, P.C. who has been Professor of Celtic at Oxford University since 1877.

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CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

(Wah Tse Yai Po's Service.)

THE NEW NOBILITY.

Peking, Dec. 20.
In connection with the change to the monarchical form of Government five Princes have been created with Li Yuan Heng at their head; ten Dukes, with Dun Chi Kwei at their head, and 24 Marquises, with Tzu Zen as first. Li Yuan Heng has declined to accept the dignity of Prince.

NEW MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Peking, Dec. 20.
A mandate appoints Sun Po Kue as Minister of Foreign Affairs.

IMPERIAL MANDATES.

Peking, Dec. 19.

Mandates are issued to the following effect:—

Civil and Military high officials and learned men who have been fellow-officers of the Emperor need not call themselves son ministers (servants).

Cheung Ming-Ki, Civil Governor at Canton, is urged to resume his post at the expiration of his leave.

Chan Pih is appointed a State Councillor.

A "favourable treatment clause" for Manchus, Mongolians, Mohammedans and Tibetans is promised in the new Constitution.

AN APPOINTMENT TO SHANGHAI.

Peking, Dec. 19.
The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has deputed Lau Sik Fan to take charge of diplomatic affairs at Shanghai.

DEATH OF AN OLD SHANGHAI RESIDENT.

Another of Shanghai's oldest residents has passed away in the person of Mr. James Nelson Jameson, of the firm of Messrs. Wisner and Co., tea merchants, of 3 Kinkiang Road. Deceased had been ill for several weeks past and death, which took place in his room in the Astor House Hotel, was not altogether unexpected. Though not suffering from any organic sickness, Mr. Jameson had been confined to his room for several weeks. Mr. Jameson, it will be remembered, lost his partner and life long friend, Mr. J. F. Seaman, several months ago and since then he has never been the same man. They had been born and spent many years together and the death of Mr. Seaman was a big blow to Mr. Jameson.

By his passing away Mr. Jameson has left a gap in the community—and especially in the American community—which it will be very difficult to fill. About seventy years of age, deceased had spent most of his life in the Far East, being in his earlier days connected with the firm of Messrs. Oliphant and Co. After terminating his connection with that company, Mr. Jameson returned to the States for a short period and then came back to join Mr. Seaman in Wisner Co. One of the leading Americans in this country, Mr. Jameson was a very prominent member of the American Association, which he acted as President. He was also connected with many Shanghai companies being a director of the International Cotton Company, and formerly a director of the Astor House Hotel and the North China Insurance Co. Mr. Jameson took an active interest in commercial matters, pertaining to the welfare of China and was chairman of the Consultative Board of the Whampoa Conservancy. He was unmarried and leaves no relatives in China, but the sympathy of his many friends in the Settlement will go out to his relatives and friends who mourn his loss in the homeland.—Shanghai Mercury.

WHAT LORD DERBY MISSED.

An interesting fact was recalled in the appointment of Earl Derby as Director of Recruiting.

Two of the men, met in the public eye at the present time, are the King of Greece and the Earl of Derby. In 1861 the then King of Greece (formerly Prince Otto of Bavaria) was forced to abdicate his throne. In 1883 the then Earl of Derby (who was three times Prime Minister of England), the grandfather of the present Earl, was offered, and refused, the Crown of Greece. Had he accepted the offer the present Earl of Derby would to-day have been the King of Greece.

To-day's Advertisements.

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